

Rule-Making Fact Sheet
(5 MRSA § 8057-A)

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CHAPTER NUMBER AND RULE TITLE:

Repeal of 14-118 Chapter 4 Regulations for Licensing and Certifying of Substance Abuse Treatment Programs, and 14-118 Chapter 4A Regulations for Licensing of Private Non-medical Institutions Providing Residential Substance Abuse Treatment

Replace with 14-118 Chapter 5 Regulations for Licensing and Certifying of Substance Abuse Treatment Programs

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

5 M.R.S.A. § 20005(6)
22-A M.R.S.A. § 205(2)

DATE AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

No public hearing is scheduled. A public hearing will be held if requested by any five interested persons.

COMMENT DEADLINE: November 17, 2006

PRINCIPAL REASON OR PURPOSE FOR PROPOSING THIS RULE:

Changes in these regulations reflect changes in the delivery of services since the previous regulations were promulgated. There has been a great deal of change in the field of addiction medicine over the past ten years and these regulations update licensing requirements to reflect those changes. Some of the regulations have been changed to conform with changes in federal regulation as well.

They also make technical changes to coincide with the merger of the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services (BDS) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) into the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

The new Chapter 5 will have specific areas devoted strictly to Private Non-Medical Institutions (PNMI) thereby eliminating the need for two separate sets of regulations and thus making it easier on providers.

ANALYSIS AND EXPECTED OPERATION OF THE RULE:

FISCAL IMPACT OF THE RULE:

N/A

FOR RULES WITH FISCAL IMPACT OF \$1 MILLION OR MORE, ALSO INCLUDE:

ECONOMIC IMPACT, WHETHER OR NOT QUANTIFIABLE IN MONETARY TERMS:

INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS AFFECTED AND HOW THEY WILL BE AFFECTED:

BENEFITS OF THE RULE: